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Mr. J. Hilton Frey EPA Region VI Superfund Compliance Section 1445 Ross Avenue Dallas, Texas 75202

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Dear Mr. Frey:

Your acceptance of our Navy Assessment and Control of Installation Pollutants program Initial Assessment Study (IAS) as an EPA Preliminary Assessment (PA) in your 1 March letter is appreciated.

As part of your acceptance of the IAS, we agreed to complete official PA and Site Inspection (SI) forms. Our submission of these forms would allow you to accurately and qualitatively perform a Hazardous Ranking System (HRS) scoring for each activity, as directed by SARA. At the time of our agreement, the revised HRS was due to be published in a few weeks. This new HRS would direct our SI efforts so that we could complete the PA and SI forms accurately and qualitatively for you, as you requested.

In a recent telephone conversation with Mr. Steve Cauldwell at EPA Headquarters about the new HRS, Mr. Cauldwell stated that the proposed HRS publishing date is in question and will remain so for the foreseeable future. Without the revised HRS, our ability to accomplish an SI of sufficient effort and scope is hampered.

To resolve the situation, we plan to wait until the proposed HRS is published. At that time, we shall perform an SI. By the time the revised HRS becomes final, you will have completed PA and SI forms on hand to develop accurate and quality HRS scores for each activity.

In order to keep you abreast of our efforts, we will contact you within 30 days after the publishing of the proposed HRS about our plans. For further information, please contact Mr. Joel Murphy, Code 11432, at telephone (803) 743-0577.

Sincerely,

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